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Officers graduate from ODPP Advanced Prosecution Training

Twenty-nine police officers graduated from the ODPP Advanced Prosecution Training this morning (20.9.24) at the Fiji Police Training Academy, Nasova, Suva.

The Advanced Prosecution Course is part of the ODPP's continued education programme for prosecutors from the Fiji Police Summary Prosecutions and was a follow-up to the Basic Prosecution Training which was successfully completed by these officers. It was an intensive three-weeks training which was designed to further hone prosecutors trial preparation skills and advocacy at the bar table.

The Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr Meli Vosawale expressed his appreciation to the graduates for their dedication towards continued education in prosecution service.

"Participation in this training and other trainings which run throughout the year represents an on-going pledge to ourselves and to the public of Fiji that we are serious about our commitment to high standards in prosecutions, Mr Vosawale said.

"As a prosecutor, you're not just dealing with criminal investigation, you're dealing with lives, you're dealing with emotions of complainants, you're dealing with witnesses, and you're also dealing with a person that may likely end up in prison. So, the onus is on us to be ethical and accountable for every prosecution case that we have."

The ODPP continues to provide Basic and Advanced Prosecution training to police and statutory prosecutors as well as Saturday trainings throughout the year in an effort to improve the standard of prosecution in Fiji.

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NB: Pictures Below



Police officers during the closing ceremony of the ODPP Advanced Prosecution Training at the Fiji Police Training Academy, Nasova on Friday (20.09.24).



The Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr Meli Vosawale addressed police officers during the graduation ceremony of the ODPP Advanced Police Prosecutions Training this morning (20.09.24) at the Fiji Police Training Academy, Nasova.



PC 6326 Gade Gaunavou received Dux award from ADPP Mr Meli Vosawale during the ODPP Advanced Prosecution Training's graduation ceremony this morning (20.09.24).



Assistant DPP, Mr Meli Vosawale (sitting 6th from left), senior police officials with graduates of the ODPP Advanced Prosecution Training this morning (20.09.24) at the Fiji Police Training Academy, Nasova.

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